

Guiding Principles



◆ Regionalism

The County must take the lead in finding new and innovative ways to look beyond its political boundaries for solutions to the challenges of the next century.

◆ Sustainability

The County must meet the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

◆ Community Identity

The County must preserve elements of community identity that provide gathering places for the exchange of information and support.

◆ Scenic Beauty

The County must take steps to develop sound conservation policies for the farmlands, mountainsides and ridges, rivers and streams, soil and air that characterize the region.

◆ Quality of Life

The County must balance economic growth and quality of life by proactively managing growth and preserving a way of life cherished by many.



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